

April 30, 1987

LB 184, 426
LR 99, 100

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 184.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 184 is advanced. I would like to recognize some guests of Senator Lowell Johnson. In the north balcony, we have 33 seventh and eighth graders from Trinity Lutheran School in Fremont, with their teachers. Will you people please stand, in spite of the error, would you please stand. Thank you. We are glad to have you with us this afternoon. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Just one item, Mr. President. I have a confirmation report from the Natural Resources Committee signed by Senator Schmit as Chair. That is all that I have.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LR 99, LR 100. LB 426, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, 426 was a bill introduced by Senators Scofield, Hefner, Schellpeper, Lowell Johnson, Korshoj, Peterson, Weihing, and Conway. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 21, referred to the Natural Resources Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending by the Natural Resources Committee, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Chairman Schmit, on the committee amendments, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, the senators that have just been named by the Clerk who introduced this bill did so in response to a rather loud and frightened outcry by those areas who were designated as likely candidates for the location of a low-level radioactive site, as a result of our entry into the Mid-Central States Low-level Radioactive Waste Compact. There was a concerned citizens group from across the state that met, and when the Natural Resources Committee heard this bill along with its companion bill, LB 425, we had over 400 people that came to the hearing. Those of you who have been in this body for more than 10 years know the work of this Legislature which led up to our membership in that compact. You know also, of course, that the state, the Department of Environmental Control, and all other groups who were involved, did comply with all of the measures of the compact. As so often happens, the public was not apparently informed as to the extent of the